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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: BURMESE PLANS FOR C-47'S

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1. AS REPORTED REF A, THE BURMA AIR FORCE INTENDS TO RECOMMISSION AND PUT BACK INTO SERVICE THREE OF ITS SIX C-47'S WHICH WERE PROVIDED SEVERAL YEWSS AGO UNDER THE U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THE OTHER THREE, ACCORDING TO AIR STAFF COLONEL KO GYI, WILL BE "CANNIBALIZED" TO PROVIDE PARTS FOR THE THREE TO BE RECOMMISSIONED,

2. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE A COPY OF THE U.S.-BURMA AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH THESE AIRCRAFT WERE PROVIDED, SO WE CANNOT DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THIS INTENDED CANNIBALIZATION IS CONSISTENT WITH ITS TERMS. (DAO HAS REQUESTED THAT THE TRANSFER AGREEMENTS BE PROVIDED TO US IF THEIR PROVISIONS DIFFER FROM THE MASM.) HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE ADVANCED AGE AND RELATIVELY LOW VALUE OF THE C-47'S, THIS SEEMS TO BE A LOGICAL AND PROBABLY COST-EFFECTIVE WAY FOR THE BURMESE TO GET AS MUCH REMAINING USE AS POSSIBLE OUT OF THE AIRCRAFT. MOREOVER, IN TERMS OF OUR NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION INTERESTS, IT IS BETTER FOR THE BURMESE TO HAVE THREE OPERATING C-47'S THAN SIX WHICH ARE GROUNDED.

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3. THEREFORE, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE U.S. RAISE NO OBJECTIONS TO THE BURMA AIR FORCE'S INTENDED CANNIBALIZATION OF THE THREE MAP C-47'S.
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